

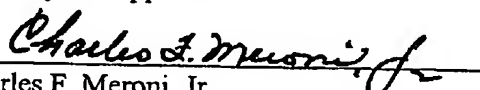
REMARKS

It is noted that Claim Nos. 1 – 68 are pending in the subject application. Of these claims, Claim Nos. 1 – 34 have been withdrawn from consideration and Claim Nos. 35 – 68 have been rejected for the reasons stated on Page Nos. 2 – 4 of the Office Action. Applicants take note of the language outlined in the Office Action under the heading “Double Patenting.” The language there states that “A timely filed Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.321(c) may be used to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a nonstatutory double patenting ground provided the conflicting application or patent is shown to be commonly owned with this application. Accordingly, Applicants submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer. In light of the foregoing, the U.S. Patent Examiner is kindly requested to reconsider his rejections of record.

It is believed that this application is now in immediate condition for allowance, and an action notifying Applicants of the allowability of claims is kindly requested. If, after a review of this Response, issues remain which may be resolved by a telephone interview, the U.S. Patent Examiner is cordially invited to call the Applicants’ undersigned attorney.

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